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- 1. MISSION MEMBERS SURPRISED JUNE 5-6 RECEIVE NUMEROUS TELEPHONE REQUESTS FROM MICHAEL DARBY, LEADER VOLUNTEER AUSTRALIAN MEDICAL TEAM, FOR DETAILS OF THEIR ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO GUAM VIA US MILITARY AIRCRAFT.
- 2. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBOFF, DARBY STATED THAT ADM. MORRISON'S OFFICE IN GUAM HAD REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM CINCPAC FOR HIM, DR. JOHN TAYLOR AND NURSE SHELIA COOLIGAN TO PROCEED PHILIPPINES TO GUAM VIA US AIRCRAFT. SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS WITH DEP CINCPACREPPHIL AND WITH REFUGEE OFFICE GUAM REVEALED REQUEST MADE BUT REFERRED TO JCS BY CINCPAC.
- 3. HAD UNDERSTOOD FROM REFTELS THAT WHILE WELCOMING AUSTRALIAN VOLUNTEER MEDICAL TEAMS, US WOULD NOT PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION. WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OUR POLICY:

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PHILIPPINES TO GUAM FOR AUSTRALIAN TEAMS?

---SHOULD EMBASSY MANILA BE PREPARED TO FACILITATE THEIR ONWARD TRAVEL?
---IF SO, CAN YOU GIVE US SOME IDEA FUTURE
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